1	2	3	4	5	6
25	West Bengal	2,600	1,700	1,544	5,844
26	Andaman & Nicobar Island	29	103	229	361
27	U.T. Chandigarh	258	685	1,031	1,974
28	Dadra & Nagar Havel i	—	3	5	8
29	Daman & Diu	—	—	—	—
30	Delhi	4,855	4,421	3,970	13,246
31	Lakshadweep	—	—	—	—
32	Pondicherry	928	802	1,121	2,851
33	Supreme Court Legal Services Committee	343	603	345	1,291
	TOTAL:	95,797	5,62,350	5,81,972	12,40,119

Modernisation of Ports

2975. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the main problem facing our ports is the lack of modern technology and equipment to expedite loading and unloading of ships; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken by Government to modernise our ports?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Modernisation and upgradation of ports is a continuous process. To upgrade and modernise port facilities to match with emerging cargo mix and bring Indian Ports at par with International standards, the following steps have been taken:

(i) Construction and equipping of new berths;

(ii) Acquisition of state-of-art equipment to match the emerging cargo mix;

(iii) Setting up of Vessel Traffic Management System (VTMS);

(iv) Labour Training & Welfare; and

(v) Increased role of private sector: